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STRENGTHENING OF POULTRY FARMING
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provide 100% Central assistance for strengthening poultry farming;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the norms laid down for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying have been implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme `Assistance to State poultry/duck farms` to strengthen existing farms of the State Governments since 1999-2000, to encourage rural poultry farming under which North Eastern States including Sikkim were provided 100% Central assistance, The same programme was extended in 2001-2002 to thirteen poultry backward States/Union Territories such as Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh, Orissa, West Bengal, Kerala, Lakshwadeep, Andaman & Nicobar Islands under which assistance was provided on 80:20, Centre to State share basis.So far Rs.10.90 crores have been sanctioned to assist twenty seven farms.

(c): The major norms laid down for the Scheme are that only one time assistance will be provided at a maximum of Rs.45.00 lakh per farm with a provision of Rs.15.00 lakh as revolving fund; the State Government should ensure health coverage; the breeding stock should be of low-input technology; the target group should be marginal farmers, landless laborers, women in groups and other socially backward sector of the society.